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Man Pleads to Fatal Hit-and-Run in Whittier

A 25-year-old man accused of leaving the scene after he struck a man with his car pleaded no contest, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Isaiah Storey of Whittier pleaded no contest Wednesday to one felony count of leaving the scene of an accident and a misdemeanor count of vehicular manslaughter.

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Peter Espinoza scheduled sentencing and restitution for Sept. 18 in Department J of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Norwalk Branch.

Under the terms of the negotiated plea, Storey is expected to be sentenced to two years in state prison, said Deputy District Attorney Garie Lynn Oehler. Additionally, the defendant will be required to pay the funeral costs for the victim, Gregory Reyes, 69.

The prosecutor said in the late afternoon of Oct. 21, 2013, Reyes was walking in a crosswalk with his walker in Uptown Whittier when he was struck by a car driven by Storey.

The car slowed down for a brief moment, but then continued going, the prosecutor said.

Authorities were called and the victim was taken to the hospital for treatment. Reyes died three days later from his injuries.

With the assistance of witness accounts, police located Storey's car in a parking lot. The defendant was brought in for questioning and through further investigation, was linked to the fatal accident.

The case was investigated by the Whittier Police Department.

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